

IN THE CLAIMS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the status of the claims will be as is shown below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-14 (canceled).

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) A terminal apparatus, comprising:

an interface configured to be connected to a scanner apparatus via a network;

a memory configured to store a plurality of information indicating a plurality of file types and a plurality of application programs associated with the plurality of the file types, each of the plurality of the application programs being configured to open ~~utilized for opening~~ a document file associated with each at least one of the plurality of the file types; and

a controller configured to:

receive, from the scanner apparatus, a control file including a file name;

receive, from the scanner apparatus, a document file, the document file including image data scanned by the scanner apparatus;

analyze the file name included in the received control file to obtain the file type of the received document file; ~~and~~

determine the application program associated with the obtained file type from the plurality of the application programs stored in the memory; and

start the application program associated with the obtained file type to open the received document file.

Claim 16. (Previously Presented) The terminal apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the controller receives, from the scanner apparatus, the control file and the document file, according to a Lpr/Lpd protocol.

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) The terminal apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the controller displays the image data included in the document file on a display of the terminal apparatus, in the ~~from~~ form of thumbnail.

Claim 18. (Previously Presented) The terminal apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the memory stores a plurality of display states associated with the plurality of the information indicating the plurality of the file types, and the controller displays the image data included in the document file on a display of the terminal apparatus, based on the display state associated with the obtained file type.

Claim 19. (Previously Presented) The terminal apparatus according to claim 18, wherein the display state comprises displaying the image data in the form of a thumbnail.

Claim 20. (Currently Amended) A network system, comprising:
a scanner apparatus configured to scan image data; and
a terminal apparatus configured to be connected to the scanner apparatus connectable to the plurality of the scanner apparatuses via a network, and to store a plurality of information indicating a plurality of file types and a plurality of application programs associated with the plurality of the file types, each of the plurality of the application programs being configured to open ~~utilized for opening~~ a document file associated with at least one ~~each~~ of the plurality of the file types,
the terminal apparatus being further configured to:

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receive, from the scanner apparatus, a control file including a file name;
receive, from the scanner apparatus, a document file, the document file including image data scanned by the scanner apparatus;
analyze the file name included in the received control file to obtain the file type of the received document file; and
determine the application program associated with the obtained file type from the plurality of the stored application programs; and
start the application program associated with the obtained file type to open the received document file.

Claim 21. (Currently Amended) A communication method for receiving image data scanned by a scanner apparatus, using a terminal apparatus, via a network, the terminal apparatus storing a plurality of information indicating a plurality of file types and a plurality of application programs associated with the plurality of the file types, each of the plurality of the application programs being ~~utilized for opening~~ configured to open a document file associated with ~~each~~ at least one of the plurality of the file types, the communication method comprising:

receiving, from the scanner apparatus, a control file including a file name;
receiving, from the scanner apparatus, a document file, the document file including image data scanned by the scanner apparatus;
analyzing the file name included in the received control file to obtain the file type of the received document file; and
determining the application program associated with the obtained file type from the plurality of the application programs stored in the terminal apparatus; and

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starting the application program associated with the obtained file type to open the received document file.

Claim 22. (New) The terminal apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the interface is configured to be connectable to each of a plurality of scanner apparatuses via a network, and the controller is configured to receive, from one of the plurality of the scanner apparatuses, a control file including a file name and to receive, from the one of the plurality of the scanner apparatuses, a document file, the document file including image data scanned by the scanner apparatus.